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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1 and 7, and cancel claims 8-10 without prejudice or disclaimer as follows. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

(Currently amended) A method for the treatment of gastrointestinal tumors, whose growth is stimulated by glycine extended gastrin-17, comprising: administering to a mammal a therapeutically effective amount of an anti-G17 immunogenic composition, wherein:

the gastrointestinal tumor expresses glycine-extended gastrin-17; and

the amount of the immunogenic composition administered is sufficient to induce an antigastrin-17 antibody titer to neutralize inhibit physiological effects of gastrin-17, amidated gastrin and glycine-extended gastrin-17.

- 2. Cancelled.
- 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the gastrointestinal tumors contain gastrin/cholecystokinin B (CCK-B) receptors.
- 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the gastrointestinal tumors are colorectal adenocarcinomas.
 - 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the mammal is a human.
 - 6. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

assaying a serum sample from the mammal to determine the level of extended gastrin 17 to determine a dosage of the composition for neutralization of gastrin-17 and glycine- extended gastrin-17 to inhibit growth of tumor cells.

7. (Withdrawn, Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising: monitoring antibody titer levels against glycine-extended glycine-17 and amidated glycine-17; and

administering booster immunizations of the immunogenic composition to maintain an antibody titer effective to neutralize glycine-extended glycine-17 and amidated glycine-17.

8. -10. Cancelled.